

# **EXHIBIT A**

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**Sent:** 3/13/2019 10:55:00 AM  
**To:** Frank Johns [frank\_johns@ncwd.uscourts.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: Fw: Pro Se Law Clerk Application

Yep - I think she would have been a true pain in the you know what. :)  
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▼ Frank Johns—03/13/2019 10:45:58 AM—YEA! That one is off the chess board! From: Heather Beam/NCWP/04/USCOURTS

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▼ Heather Beam—03/13/2019 10:41:58 AM—FYI Heather Beam

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Dear Judge Cogburn, Judge Reidinger, and Judge Metcalf,

Thank you very much for considering my application for the pro se law clerk position and for inviting me for an interview. I wanted to let you know I have accepted a clerkship with Fourth Circuit Judge Henry Floyd, and so I am withdrawing my application.

I have greatly enjoyed working with you during my time at the Federal Defender Office. Judge Metcalf, I hope I have the privilege of meeting you in person sometime soon.

Thank you again for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

Caryn Devins Strickland